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3. Enclosed with this notice is a copy of the international application as published by the International Bureau on 15 January 2004 (15.01.2004) under No. WO 2004/005342

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, CHEM ABS Data, EMBASE

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.: 1-78
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
see FURTHER INFORMATION sheet PCT/ISA/210
2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☐ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

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- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

Continuation of Box I.1

Claims Nos.: 1-78

Claims 1-78 relate to methods of treatment of the human or animal body by surgery or by therapy or diagnostic methods practiced on the human or animal body (PCT Rule 39.1(iv)).

The wording "drug holiday" is defined (Description, page 11, lines 29-30) as the time interval between a first endpoint (start) and a second endpoint (finish). Claim 1 seems to comprise such definition by the wording "...without the continuous presence of the molecule".

According to W099/43708, the use of GLP-1 derivatives and exendin for the treatment of diabetes is known (See claim 89- W099/43708). Therefore, the term "drug holiday" appears to be unclear if it referring to the dose administrated, in that case the claims 40-78 comprise also therapy or diagnostic methods practiced on the human or animal body (PCT Rule 39.1(iv)).

Consequently, a search has been carried out for on the alleged effects of the compounds or compositions for GLP-1 derivatives and exendin. Further, the search has covered the general aspects of the invention to some extent, although it lacks the necessary precision in the definition of the subject matter due to the large quantity of material known within GLP-1 and exendin derivatives.

The search for the general concept of GLP-1 derivatives and exendin will retrieve a pertinent document only if this concept is described in general terms in a reference. Specific solutions previously known and falling under the general concept - but failing to mention this fact - are likely not to be revealed in such a search.

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